

WHEREAS, On November 2, 1889, South Dakota and North Dakota, then known as the "twin states", were admitted to the Union; and,

WHEREAS, In the ceremony of admission, President Benjamin Harrison placed the two proclamations under a newspaper and shuffled them. Then moving the newspaper just to the line of signature, President Harrison signed them both so as not to show favoritism of one state over the other; and,

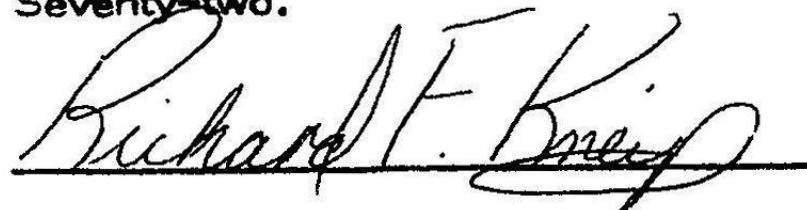
WHEREAS, Since the order of signature is not known, North Dakota and South Dakota are recognized as the 39th and 40th states to be admitted to the Union:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim November 2, 1972, as the

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in South Dakota and extend the best wishes of all South Dakotans to the State of North Dakota as we celebrate our anniversary of statehood together on this day.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota in Pierre, the Capital City, this 2nd day of November in the Year of Our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-two.



RICHARD F. KNEIP, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:



ALMA LARSON, SECRETARY OF STATE

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA - BUREAU OF ADMINISTRATION - OFFICE OF RECORDS MANAGEMENT - CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICITY  
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